

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-14 (cancelled):

Claim 15 (previously presented): A reinforced formed part comprising a hollow metal external formed part having an internal differing shape in at least one of a longitudinal shape and cross-sectional shape and a metal foam located within said hollow metal external formed part wherein the metal foam has a shape substantially identical to the shape of the hollow metal external formed part and wherein said metal foam has a structure having high resistance to deformation and said metal foam contacts said hollow external formed part and fills same so as to improve (1) the elastic properties, (2) the load bearing capacity and (3) the resistance to deformation of the external formed part of said reinforced formed part.

Claim 16 (previously presented): A reinforced formed part comprising a hollow metal external formed part having an internal shape and a metal foam located within said hollow metal external formed part wherein the metal foam has a shape substantially identical to the shape of the hollow metal external formed part and wherein said metal foam has a structure having high resistance to deformation and said metal foam contacts said hollow external formed part and fills same so as to improve (1) the elastic properties, (2) the load bearing capacity and (3) the resistance to deformation of the external formed part, said reinforced formed part being formed by the following steps:

- forming a hollow metal external formed part;
- locating a prepreg body within the hollow metal external formed part;
- providing a metal foam material within said hollow external formed part by foaming the prepreg body within said hollow external formed part; and

simultaneously with the foaming contacting said metal foam material with at least a part of the hollow metal external formed part, so that the foam rests in form-fit relation against the hollow metal external formed part.

Claim 17 (previously presented): A process for a production for a reinforced formed part comprising the steps of:

forming a hollow metal external formed part;

locating a prepreg body within the hollow metal external formed part;

providing a metal foam material within said hollow external formed part by foaming the prepreg body within said hollow external formed part; and

simultaneously with the foaming contacting said metal foam material with at least a part of the hollow metal external formed part, so that the foam rests in form-fit relation against the hollow metal external formed part.

Claim 18 (currently amended): Process for producing a reinforced formed part with, if appropriate optionally, longitudinal and/or cross sections differing in form and/or size, in which the process comprising:

providing an at least partially hollow outer formed part ~~is presented, having an inner cavity;~~

~~foam material and blowing agent are introduced introducing~~ into the hollow outer formed part; foam material and blowing agent; and

activating the blowing agent ~~is activated;~~ so that there is formed in the outer formed part an open-cell or closed-cell metal foam with high resistance to deformation, which at least partially bears against the outer formed part, and at least partially fills the inner cavity of the hollow outer formed part ~~and the,~~ wherein loading properties and resistance to deformation of which are improved.

Claim 19 (currently amended): Process according to Claim 18 ~~24~~, characterized in that the ~~fiber~~ fiber orientation of the material of the outer formed part runs essentially parallel to its outer contours.

Claim 20 (currently amended): Process according to claim ~~18 or 19~~ 19 or 24, characterized in that the outer formed part has a plurality of layers of the same or different materials running parallel to one another and lying one on top of the other, the fiber orientation of which is completely or partially parallel to one another.

Claim 21 (currently amended): Process according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 18, characterized in that the materials of the outer formed part have one or more —~~if appropriate jointly formed~~— layers of cold- or hot-workable material.

Claim 22 (previously presented): Process according to claim 21, characterized in that at least one cold-workable material is selected from the group comprising metal and lightweight metal.

Claim 23 (previously presented): Process according to Claim 22, characterized in that the cold-workable material is selected from the group consisting of steel, aluminum, magnesium, titanium and alloys of the same.

Claim 24 (currently amended): Process according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 18, characterized in that it has fiber-reinforced materials in the outer formed part.

Claim 25 (previously presented): Process according to claim 24, characterized in that the hollow outer formed part at least partially consists of metal and is produced by an internal high-pressure forming process.

Claim 26 (previously presented): Process according to claim 25, characterized in that the hollow outer formed part at least partially consists of a polymer, the outer formed part being created by forming of its at least one-layered material by a forming process known per se, such as casting, thermoforming, blow molding, or else internal high-pressure forming, and is subsequently filled with a metal-foam material.

Claim 27 (currently amended): Process according to one of Claims 25 or 26, characterized in that, after expanding the metal foam into the outer formed part, the metal foam located in the outer formed part and the hollow outer formed part are jointly formed.

Claim 28 (cancelled):